

## **REMARKS**

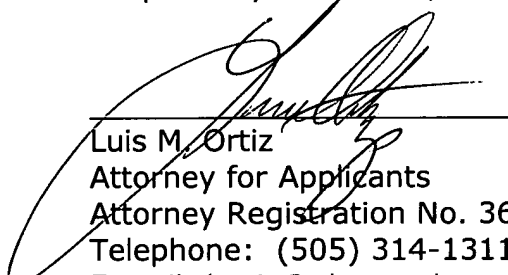
### **I. Remarks**

The Applicant has amended the claims so as to reduce the number of independent claims, eliminate multiple dependent claims and bring the claims into conformity with US practice. Specifically, claims 26, 30 and 34 have been made amended so as to be dependent from claim 1. Claims 39 to 42 and 45 to 59 have been deleted. New claims 60 to 65 essentially cover the subject matter of deleted claims 45 to 57 and 59. Also new, claims 66, 67 essentially correspond to deleted claims 40, 41 but have been made dependent on claim 43. New claim 68 essentially corresponds to method claim 25.

It is believed that such amendments do not constitute new matter. Additionally, it is believed that support for such amendments is provided within the specification, and that the specification adequately enables such amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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